completed. The other sewage treatment plant is targeted for completion by June 1999. An amount of Rs. 10.92 crore has been spent on these schemes so far. In addition, the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi under its own plan is constructing 13 sewage treatment plants with appurtenant works at an approved cost of Rs. 469.67 crore. Of these, five sewage treatment plants have already been commissioned, another seven are targeted for completion by December 1999 and the remaining one is targeted for completion by June 2000. So, far, an expenditure of about Rs. 329 crore has been incurred on these works by the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi.

Allotment of Forests Land at Sabarimala

1876. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS Be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any request from Kerala Government for permission to allot forest land for expansion . of facilities to pilgrims at Sabarimala, Kerala;

(b) if so, the reasons for delay in granting permission; and

(c) whether Governemnt are aware of recent tragedy at Sabarimala in which many people died?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI): (a) and (b) The State Government of Kerala had earlier in 1993 submitted a proposal under the Forest (Conservation) Act. 1980 for diversion of 115.60 hectares of forest land in District Pathanamthitta for providing amenities to pilgrims of Sabarimala Temple. The proposed forest area formed part of Periyer Tiger Reserve. While the proposal was under process, the State Government in December, 1995 forwarded another proposal involving 20 hectares of forest land for the same purpose. The proposal was examined by the Ministry and also discussed with Nodal Officer, State Forest Department, Kerala, in May 1996. As per the discussion held with the Nodal officer, certain suggestions were made for the consideration of the kerala State Government so as to minimise any adverse environmental effect of the development activity in the area. The State Government was reminded on 9.5.97 and again on 15.9.98 to expedite the clarifications sought by the Ministry in pursuance to the discussions held with the Nodal Officer. The reply of the State Government has not been received so far. Subsequently, August, 1997, three separate proposals have been received pertaining to construction of sewage treatment plant at Cheriyanavattom near Sabarimala shrine; collection of sand have already been approved by this Ministry on 26.11.98 and 23.10.97 respectively. The proposal for quarrying of rubble was discussed in the State level Advisory Group meeting on 8.10.97 and it was decided to obtain certain details from the State Government as the proposal was not formulated properly and the project was located in the forest area earmarked for Project Elephant. Despite repeated reminders, the State Government did not furnish the requisite information and proposal was again discussed in the meeting of State Advisory Group on 15.10.98 and it was decided to close the proposal for want of essential details.

(c) Yes, Sir. However, in the absence of complete details, as mentioned above from the State Government of Kerala it would not be possible to take a final decision on the proposal.

Project pending for environment clearance

1877. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) What is the number of projects pending for environment clearance at present and since when these are pending;

(b) whether Government have launched a web-site to provide latest information regarding clearance status of all the environmental and forestry project application; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI): (a) 64 projects are pending as on date for environmental clearance. Details of these projects are given in the statement. *(see* below).

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir.

The Ministry of Environment and Forests has launched an enlarged Website *(www.nic.in/envfor)* to facilitate entrepreneurs/project proponents to know the up-to-date status of projects submitted to the Ministry of Environment and Forests for environmental clearance/ forestry clearance. The project proponents would also get to know the reasons for pendency. In additon, The website provides the full text of environmental and forestry clearances issued since November 1998.

Statement

S.No	Name of Project	Since when pending
1.	3,00000 TPA Integrated complex at Jambalpadu Tadipatri Distt. Anantpur by M/s SJK Steel Ltd.	June, 1998
2.	Expansion and up-gradation of 5,000 TPD Cement Plant at Yerguntala of M/s Zuari Cements Ltd.	November, 1998
3.	Hydro-treatment plant for upgrading coker LGO to HSD at Dhaligaon, of M/s BRPL	February, 1999
4.	Expansion of Barauni Refinery for 4.2 MTPA to 6.0 MTPA by M/s IOC.	October, 1998
5.	Grey iron froundry project at Navelim, District Bicholim of M/s Teksid Kalyani Iron Foundry Ltd.	February, 1999
6.	Mangalore-Bangalore Product Pipeline Projects by M/s Hindustan Petroleum Corpn. Ltd.,	July, 1998
7.	Manufacturing of Electrical/Electronic Connectors etc. at Bangalore by M/s AMP India Ltd.	November, 1998
8.	Bulk Drug Unit at Kattigehalli, North Bangalore District by M/s Astra IDL Ltd.	Dec, 1998
9.	Capacity expansion from 7.5 MMTPA to 13.5 MMTPA of Petroleum crude oil at Ambalmugal Ernakulam of M/s Cochin Refinery Ltd.	January, 1999
10.	Gasket Sheeting Plant based on Asbestos at Pune by M/s Uni Klinger Ltd.	September, 1998
11.	Foundry Unit at Ranjan Gaon, Pune District by M/s IKEIL Metals Pvt. Ltd.	December, 1998
12.	Aluminium Smelter Project at Jharsuguda. Orissa by M/s Sterlite Industries Ltd.	October, 1998
13.	Expansion of Production capacity for manufacturing of Asbestos at Ambattur Chennai by M/s Rana Brakes Lining Ltd.	October, 1998
14.	Production of Alloy Steel Casting at Trichy by M/s Harihar Alloy Casting Pvt. Ltd.	October, 1998
15.	6.5 MMTPA Refinery at Cuddalore vt M/s. Penner Refineries Ltd.	November, 1998

S.No.	Name of Project	Since when pending
16.	Foundry Unit at SIPCOT Industrial Estate, Coimbatore District by M/s Pioneer Alloy Castings Ltd.	November, 1998
17.	Ingot Manufacturing Unit at Naduvaneri village Salem Distt. of M/s Veerappan Steel (P) Ltd.	January, 1999
18.	Steel and Alloy Steel Casting and Manufacturing Unit in Coimbatore by M/s Ultimate Alloy (P) Ltd.	January, 1999
19.	Expansion of Electroplating section for manufacturing bimetallic from 100 T/M to 200 T/M at Hosur of M/s Bimetal Bearing Ltd.	January, 1999
20.	Foundry Unit at Coimbatore by M/s KGF Alloys Ltd.	February, 1999
21.	Foundry Expansion project in Erode District of M/s Shakti Sugars Ltd.	February, 1999
22.	Expansion of Friction Material manufacturing facility at Padi, Thiruvallur Distt. of M/s Sundaram Brakes Lining Ltd.	February, 1999
23.	Expansion of Asbestos Cement Plant at Mohanlalganj, Lucknow district of M/s U.P. Asbestos Ltd.	December, 1998
24.	227-240 MW Naphtha Based CCPP at Samalkot Mandal, East Godavari District of M/s NCC Power Corporation Ltd.	December, 1998
25.	30 MW DG Set based Hasanparthy Mini Power Plant, Yellapur Village, Hasanparthy Mandal, Warrangal District of M/s Lewis Staley Energy Group (P) Ltd.	February, 1999
26.	30 MW DG Set based Yellapur Mini Power Plant in Warrangal of M/s Lewis Staley Energy Group (P) Ltd.	February 1999
27.	330 MW Coal Based TPP at Narela, Delhi by M/s Appollo Energy Company Ltd.	April, 1997
28.	2.125 MW Akrimota TPP at Village Chhernani, Distt. Kutch by M/s Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Ltd.	August, 1998
29.	300 MW Vaccum Based Panipat Power Project near Village Balgatan of M/s Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.	January, 1999
30.	522 MWE CCPP at Ambalarmugal, Eranukulam Distt. Kerala by M/s Cochin Refineries Ltd. Cochin.	July, 1998
31.	2 x 535 MW Korba (East) TPS Stage-ll at Korba Distt. Bilaspur by M/s Daewoo Power India Ltd.	November, 1998
32.	6 x 120 MW Captive Power Plant for Aluminium Project at Jharsuguda, Orissa by M/s Sterlite Industries (India) Ltd.	October, 1998
33.	77 MW Hirakud Thermal Power Project by M/s Indian Aluminium Corporation Ltd.	January, 1999
34.	51 MW CCPP at Naya Nangal Dist Rupnagar of M/s Punjab Alkalies and Chemicals Ltd.	February, 1999
35.	200 MW Naphtha Based CCPP at NOIDA of M/s NOIDA Power Corporation Limited.	January, 1999
36.	Champamati Irrigation Project, Deptt. of Irrigation Govt of Assam.	May, 1998
37.	Malshej Ghat Pumped Storage Scheme-(600 MW)— Maharashtra Krishna Valley Development Corp. Pune.	May, 1998

S.No.	Name of Project	Since when pending
38.	Chikhaldara Pumped Storage Scheme-2x200 MW-Irrigation Deptt. Govt. of Maharashtra. (Reopened)	June, 1998
39.	Tillari Inter state Irrigation Project, Irrigation Deptt. Govt. of Maharashtra.	January, 1999
40.	Lower Wardha Irrigation Project, Irrigation Deptt. Govt. of Maharashtra.	February, 1999
41.	Tuivai Hydroelectric Project (100 MW).	September, 1998
42.	Teesta H.E. Project Stage-V (3x170 MW) NHPC.	March, 1998
43.	Bhimili Beach Garnet Sand Project of M/s Indian Rare Earths Ltd.	June, 1998
44.	Lignite Mine at Akri-Mota Distt. Kutch of M/s GMDC.	April, 1996
45.	Lignite Mine at Mata-No- Madh, Kutch Distt. of M/s GDMC.	April, 1996
46.	Lignite Mining project Umarsar, Distt. Kutch of M/s GMDC.	April, 1996
47.	Pozzolona clay, laterite & silica sand mines of M/s Sanghi Industries Ltd. (Three projects)	August, 1998
48.	Expansion of Opencast Iron Ore Mine of M/s A. Narain (P) Ltd. Distt, Chitradurga.	November, 1998
49.	Pauni Opencast Coal mine of M/s WCL.	July, 1998
50.	Rampura-Agucha mine expansion by M/s Hindustan Zinc Ltd.	August, 1998
51.	Kankar Limestone Mines at Maravarperungudi of M/s The India Cements Ltd.	September, 1998
52.	Kurundamadam Limestone Mine of M/s Industrial Chemicals and Monomers Ltd.	September, 1998
53.	Kankar Limestone Mines at Kudankulam village of M/s India Cements Limited.	November, 1998
54.	Construction of Lighted Beacon at Rosen Point, Great Nicobar Island	October, 1998
55.	Construction of Dedicated Jetty for BBI Power Krishnapatnam 'B' (2x260 MW) Thermal Power Project in Nellore District.	October, 1998
56.	Construction of a Time Share Beach Resort by Mr. Darryl Pereiran Property Survey No. 248/1 of Calangute Village.	January, 1997
57.	Construction of a Hotal Project in Survey No. 117/1 of Arossim Village of Mormagao Taluka by M/s. Nova Resort Pvt. Ltd.	August,, 1997
58.	Construction of a Beach Resort by Mr. Garth D' Souza in Sy. No. 109/1, Caveolssim Village.	October, 1998
59.	Expansion of Abhisked Beach Resort at S.No. 56-2B/1 and 56-2C at Village Ganapati Pule, Distt. Ratnagiri by M/s. Courtesy Hotels Pvt. Ltd.	July, 1998
60.	Construction of Mumbai — Nasik Expressway.	September, 1998
61.	Construction of Mumbai Talasari Expressway.	September, 1998
62.	Construction of Mumbai Sawantwadi Expressway (Phase-I) Mumbai to Mahad (Chirle to Ambet) Distt. Raigad.	September, 1998
63.	Rajasthan State Highway Project Phase I.	November, 1998
64.	Construction of Second Vivekanand Bridge over river Hooghly on NG-2.	January, 1999